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A HUMOROUS LETTER.

Pen Picture of Tidd's Neck--Its
Arable Climate.

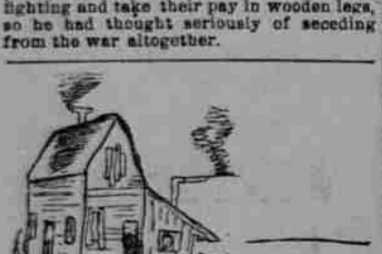
GEM CITY OF THE EVERGLADES.

How it was Discovered by Peter Stuyvesant
Overholt--Progress of the Town--
The Mayor's Little Trip.[For The Sunday Herald. By special ar-
rangement with the author.]

Tidd's Neck, October, 1892.

Tidd's Neck has one of the most arable
climates of which we know. It resembles
that of Genoa, yet without the crowded
and unhealthy apartments given to the
poor of Genoa for occupation. The climate
of Tidd's Neck is extremely luscious and
bracing. There are no extremes of heat
and cold, and yet there is enough variety
in the course of the year to make the sale
of clothing a good, active business.What could be more delightful than this
—a health giving and beautiful climate,
yet one which will give good returns to
the overture and linen coat dealer!Tidd's Neck has been truthfully called
the Gem City of the Everglades. In 1847,
Peter Stuyvesant Overholt, of Musser's
Hook, while looking for the best possible
location to which he could come while re-
covering from a felon lost his bearings
while under the influence of liquor and
discovered what is now called Tidd's Neck.
Finding that here he could be alone with
his feline for several days, he remained free
to make such remarks as go with a felon
generally, and sustained himself by means
of roots, herbs and spirits, thus purifying
his blood and giving himself a sharp, raven-
ous appetite.Remembering this place in 1850, at which
time he received a small pension as a
soldier in one of the Indian wars, he de-
cided to build at Tidd's Neck. His original
homestead is shown on the left in the fol-
lowing sketch:

LOOKING UP BOX ELDER STREET IN 1850.

Mr. Overholt soon discovered that the
climate was especially suited to the en-
couragement of home ties. He felt lonely
at first, but one home tie seemed to call for
another till by and by all seemed lively and
gay, and the old feeling of loneliness passed
away.We next introduce a view of Box Elder
street in 1850, merely to show what im-
provements have been made in that time
by the early settlers of Tidd's Neck. The
onward march of prosperity and wealth
was soon, however, to be checked by the
war.Just as Mr. Overholt was about to in-
augurate other and greater improvements
among them the removal of the feather tick in
the window on the end of the house, the
country was plunged into a fratricidal strife.
Heavily calling his family together at
Foley's Grove, he stated briefly that the
war had been brought on by others who
had more means than he had, and also that
poor people would have to do most of the
fighting and take their pay in wooden
dollars, so he had thought seriously of seceding
from the war altogether.

LOOKING UP BOX ELDER STREET IN 1860.

[Showing the growth of the town in north-
western direction.]"Regarding this," said he, "as a rich
man's war and a poor man's fight, I have
decided to take a vacation and visit Mexico
and the home of the Montezumas, with
whom I was partially acquainted." He
then set aside a couple of days for kissing
his children good-bye, and quietly at even-
ing, as the whippoorwill's song died away
in the distance, Mr. Overholt died the same,
and has never been seen since.At this point is given a rough drawing of
the well known Tidd's Neck cross walk,
brought here from Pompeii. As the streets
are often flooded with water, these step-
ping stones are of great value in crossing
the streets, while they may be driven over
in the daytime quite frequently without
slipping across the ice of the larger stones.
This cross walk has been extensively copied
by other towns in the south, but this is the
original one from Pompeii.After the war came a financial depression
and Tidd's Neck made few strides for a
time except to change the grade of Box
Elder street, taking off about two acres of
Mrs. Overholt's lot, and also charging her
for the benefit that she had been so
kind to save the street run past her house.Mayor Edwin McGargle was then em-
powered to go on east to sell the street im-provement bonds in New York and Boston.
At least the board of aldermen told him he
might do so if he had a good chance, as
they seemed to understand that he was go-
ing on to New York anyway on other busi-
ness.The mayor may be discovered at the right
hand corner of the First National bank of
Tidd's Neck in the drawing which I made
of the building this morning.
Much surprise was manifested by the
board when the mayor returned somewhat
chastened and understood that he was go-
ing on to New York anyway on other busi-
ness, and also for material to float them in.The following is a resume of the bill sent
in by Mayor McGargle:

TOWN OF TIDD'S NECK.

To Edwin McGargle, Dr.:

To expense bills while seeking to float street
improvement bonds on Tidd's Neck under ad-
verse circumstances, as follows:

1892.

July 3—To hiring man to take care of
house while absent from home seeking to float
street improvement bonds on Tidd's Neck under
adverse circumstances. \$13 00July 5—To car fare to New York City
while en route to same seeking to float street
improvement bonds on Tidd's Neck under
adverse circumstances. 28 00July 1—To paid to porter on train
while en route, etc., etc. 25July 6—To telegram to board of alder-
men of Tidd's Neck stating that I would do the
very best I could toward seeking to float
street improvement bonds on Tidd's Neck under
adverse circumstances. 35July 8—To personal expenses at Hotel
—man House while doing the very best I could
toward seeking to float street improvement
bonds on Tidd's Neck under adverse circum-
stances. 87 32July 9—To tuition in art studios
while at Hotel—man House seeking to do the
very best I could toward seeking to float
street improvement bonds on Tidd's Neck under
adverse circumstances. 68 80July 10—To medical advice in re-
sulting from efforts to do the very best I
could toward seeking to float street improve-
ment bonds on Tidd's Neck under adverse
circumstances. 9 00July 15—To return fare and porter fee
after doing the very best I could toward seek-
ing to float street improvement bonds on Tidd's
Neck under adverse circumstances. 28 25

Total. \$284 97

On the night of Aug. 35, 1878, Tidd's
Neck was visited by one of the most de-
structive fires in its history. Box Elder
street especially was a mass of flames.The shrill cry of fire was heard swelling
into a sullen roar while the hungry flames,
like great forked tongues, licked up the
last bit of butter the Widow Overholt
had. Great, strong men ran to and fro
wringing their hands or rushing madly
into the heat and trying to save the nice,
new griddle.Now the flames looked up the husk bed-
tick in the window and opened up a draft
of air which with the furious blaze into a
perfect pandemonium.Then there was a hush like that of death,
and in the midst of it the insurance on the
building was heard to expire.BANK BUILDING OF THE FIRST NATIONAL
BANK OF TIDD'S NECK.[Showing portrait of President Edwin McGar-
gle, who is also mayor of Tidd's Neck and
president of the health board. He says he
feels lonely at first, but one home tie seemed
to call for another till by and by all seemed
lively and gay, and the old feeling of loneliness
passed away.]For many years the great fire at Tidd's
Neck will live in history, remarkable
especially as the only fire in over 4,000
years in which no diamonds were lost.

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used to make poultices of them, or a syrup,
which was always effective in breaking up
a cough or cold. Dr. Gunn's onion syrup
is made by combining a few simple reme-
dies with it, which make it more effective
as a medicine and destroys the taste and
odor of the onion. Sold by Goddard
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and household goods, go to Sandberg
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harmless for children, and it's the most
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THREE GOOD ONES.

Summer Travel—What He Wanted to Know—
Large Slippers.

"Have you been traveling this summer?"

"Not exactly. You see my rheumatism
did all the traveling this time."

"What do you mean?"

"Why, one day it was in my neck, the
next it was in my legs, then it went to my
back, and thence around to my hip joints.
Oh, it took a regular excursion every day,
I assure you!"

Coming to the Point.

A lecturer on rheumatism had concluded a
long and careful address, and said to his
attentive audience:"If there is any question which any one
of you would like to ask, I shall be pleased
to answer it."For a moment there was silence; then
an earnest looking gentleman rose and
said:"I should like to know, professor, whether
anybody has ever discovered a reliable
cure for war?"

Large Size.

A stout lady went into a shoe store in
New York city, and said to a salesman:"I want a pair of bath slippers, please—
and very quickly."

"What number, ma'am?"

"What number? Number 246, sir."

"Number 246? What do you mean,
ma'am?""Why, number 246 Fifth avenue, of
course."

THE STAY ON THE HOURNEKES BENCH.

Uncle Silas was a very honest and pious
old colored man who preached on Sundays,
and had a great influence for good upon the
others in the settlement, says the Detroit
Free Press. During one of his revival
seasons, among a dozen or so at the mourners'
bench was a black boy called Eph, about
30 years old, and for a long time ungen-
erative. Uncle Silas was greatly rejoiced to
see him come forward, and at once went to
him. Eph was crying."Hain't no use in my comin' up," he
sobbed. "I've sinned away de day ob
grace.""No you ain't, brudder," protested Uncle
Silas. "You am de sinner what do I want
to save. All you got to do is to get up
sinner.""I've done done dat, Uncle Silas," sobbed
Eph. "but day ain't no salvation for me.""Yes, day is too, honey. Day ain't no sin
so black dat hit ain't washed white as
snow.""I done stole fo' chickens las' week," con-
fessed the penitent.

"Dat's all fugal, Ephim,"

"An' two de week befo'," Uncle Silas."

"Dat's all fugal, too, Ephim."

"An' two de week befo' dat, Uncle
Silas."

"Dat's all right, too, Ephim."

"But dem two was you'n, Uncle Silas—
dem fat pullets you love'd so much to be
by, Uncle Silas.""What dat?" exclaimed Uncle Silas sud-
denly."Dem las' two was you'n pullets, Uncle
Silas," sobbed Eph.

Uncle Silas became solemn and stern.

"I reckon, Ephim," he said slowly, "you
case needs advisement wid pra'. I ain't sho
dat he want be clutterin' up de kingdom
of hubble wid chicken thieves, an' you bet
stay right on de mourners' bench till hit
meetin' am done, an' we kin examine you
state ob sin for particlars."

WISE AND OTHERWISE.

"The best of men have their faults,"
Jonathan is a model husband and father,
a genial companion, charitable, generous,
public-spirited, cultured "and all that";
but he will make a practice of crossing his
legs in a street car.When Smith says "my laundry" it is not
to be supposed that he is proud as the pro-
prietor of an establishment provided for
cleansing of other people's soiled linen. He
is simply referring to his wash, and using
the improved (!) American language for
the purpose.Professor Potterly—"Mr. Freshion, I
observe that you use the phrase 'single
handed and alone.' Do you not think that
the idea may as well be ex-
pressed with the omission of the last two
words?" Freshion—"No, sir, I do not.
For instance I have often driven a horse
single-handed, but I wasn't alone. No,
sir, not by a rumf—"Indianapolis Journal.It's lucky that the cholera scare was
over before there was much talk about the
spicillin in the vomitus. The comma
bacillus alone was almost enough to scare
a timid person into a collapse; and in con-
junction with a still more mysterious mi-
cro-organism it would have been irresisti-
ble.Scribner—"Your picture, 'The Surprise
in the Surf,' is hardly true to life."
D'Auber—"Why not?" "The girls with
the prettiest suits are all in the water."
"That's the surprise!"—New York Herald.

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